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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 28, 2001

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find copies of documents cited in the International Search Report for the International (PCT) Patent Application upon which the above-identified application is based. Also enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing the cited and enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are satisfied.

To the extent that the enclosed documents are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by at least the enclosed International Search Report.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable

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requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with all documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of these documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 396.40960X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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